Docket No.: 50099-177

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of

Yoshikazu KATAOKA

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Group Art Unit: 2881

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on August 28, 2001. Since more than two years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before January 8, 2002 in the above-identified group art unit should have received a first official action.

Respectfully submitted,

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